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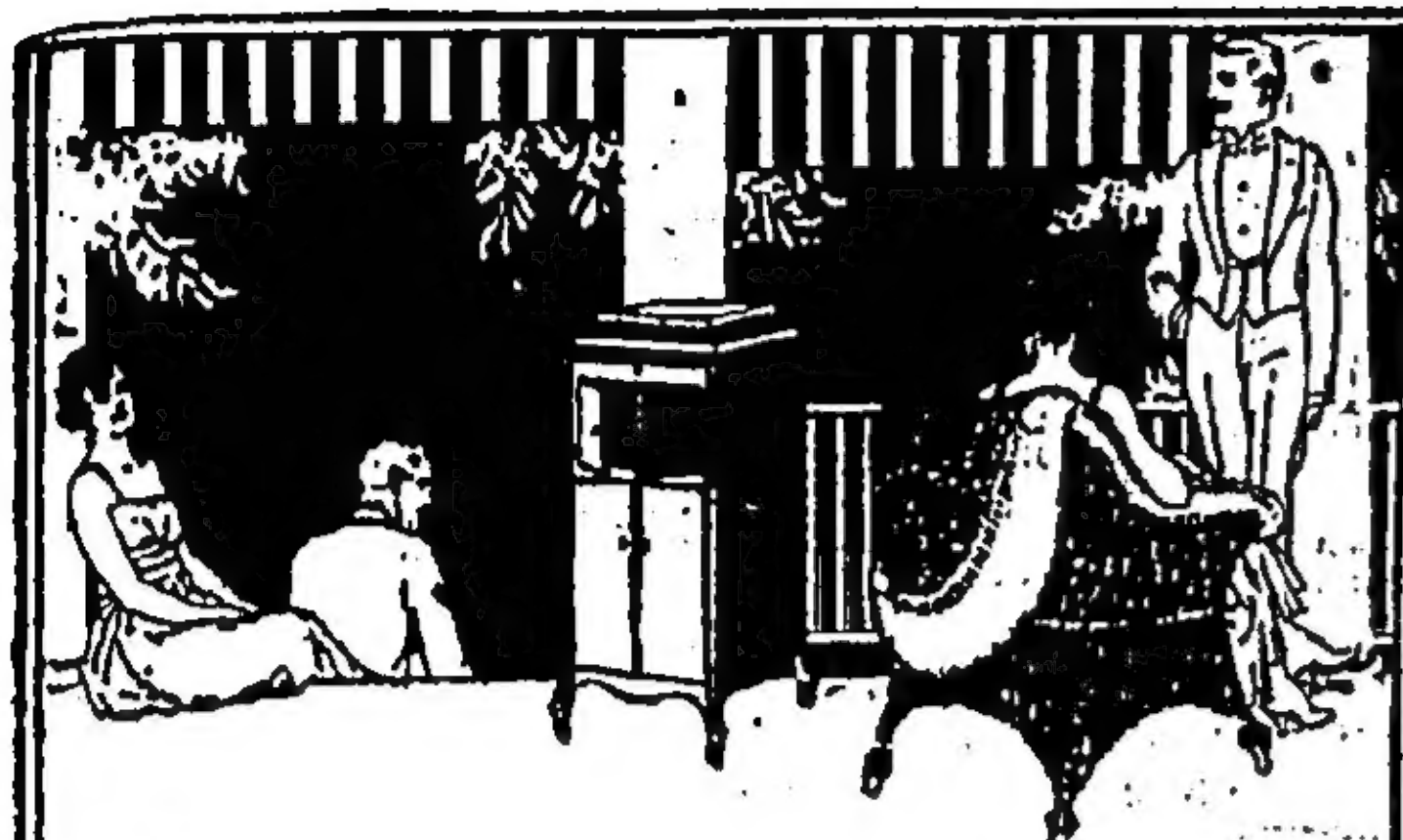
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'EGYPT' ENQUIRY.
LAKE OF DISCIPLINE EXPLAINED.
EVERYONE CROUCHING WITH TERROR.

LONDON, July 26.
Captain Collier gave evidence that prior to putting off the boats he saw officers on the port boatdeck getting frowns and trimmers out of the boats. He did not see whether they were Indians. He did not notice revolver shooting or knife. When witness was dragged into the lifeboat he took command. He was given a revolver by Captain Carr, which he was told had been used to fire over the head of the crew to compel them to make way for ladies.

Replying to the representative of the Amalgamated Marine Workers, Captain Collier said the Lascars were best fitted to work the London and Bombay route. There was not much to choose in case of accidents between Lascars properly led and white men. The accident to the "Egypt" was abnormal. Even if the crew had been entirely white the loss of life would have been the same, as it was mostly attributable to the list preventing access to the boats.

Capt. Collier explained that the confusion whereby the crews of the boats were not at their proper stations was due to the desire to get out of the ship before she turned turtle. Pressed to explain the want of discipline Capt. Collier replied "They were simply terrified, not merely natives but many Europeans." He added that the passengers jumped overboard at all angles before the ship turned turtle. Everybody seemed to be crouching in terror. He himself on the bridge wondered how he was going to get away.

Chief Officer Cartwright said that two days before the collision he gave the Lascars boatdrill for ten minutes. He did not think that the men would have gone to stations better if there had been more boatdrill at Tilbury.

WHY DISCIPLINE FAILED.
Chief Officer Cartwright said that at the time of the collision when the order "Boat Stations" was given he was unable to find the Lascars. He expressed the opinion that discipline failed because everything was so sudden. The human element must be taken into account. The Lascars whom he saw after they were picked up were terror-stricken and useless. The whites were not terror-stricken but jumpy and nervous. It was the work of the white officers, quartermasters, engineers and stewards that enabled the boats to be put out. The inquiry at this stage adjourned.

SHIPBUILDING.

LLOYDS COMMITTEE REVISE RULES.

LONDON, July 25.
Revised Rules for the construction of steel ships have been approved by the Committee of Lloyd's to operate from January 13. They include reductions in respect of the material for the sides of vessels and increases in the decks, producing combination and economising in weight and material.

HOME RACING.

STEWARDS CUP RESULT.

LONDON, July 25.
The Stewards Cup resulted as follows:—
Tetrastar (10/1) 1
Night Patrol (50/1) 2
Morning Light (10/1) 3
Thirty ran. Tetrastar won by four lengths, a head before second and third.

MAJOR BLAKE'S PROGRESS.

CRASH ON WAY TO LAHORE.

KARACHI, July 25.
The aviator, Major Blake while flying to Lahore crashed, landing at Sibi eighty miles South East of Quetta. Nobody was hurt. The undercarriage was smashed and he will probably be detained six days.

STUDENT LYNCHED.

BENARES, July 25.
The student who shot the Communist Khabendra was lynched by the crowd and is in hospital dying.

THE DAVIS CUP.

NEW YORK, July 25.
The Australian Davis Cup team has arrived.

INTERNATIONAL PEACE CONFERENCE.

NATIONALISM THE FUTURE MENACE.

LONDON, July 25.
The King has sent a message welcoming the International Peace Congress which has opened at the Mansion House, attended by 500 delegates representing over twenty nations, wishing success to its efforts in the cause of universal peace. The Minister of Education, Mr. H. A. L. Fisher said the maintenance of peace and goodwill throughout the world was the primary aim of the British policy. He intimated that the British Government desired Germany to apply for admission to the League of Nations this year. He declared that the greatest of all present dangers was the spirit of fanatical nationalism which was a growing menace to peace in Asia and probably the most formidable peril by which the future of civilization was assailed.

SCUTTLED SHIP.

INSURANCE CLAIM FAILS.

LONDON, July 24.
Another case concerning the scuttling of a Greek steamer has come before the King's Bench. Two Greek merchants and shipowners sued the British and Foreign Marine Insurance Company to recover insurance on the "Tollunda" abandoned in the Goodwins in December, 1920. Mr. Justice Bowlett said the vessel was insured for £80,000 and was not worth more than a third. His Lordship gave judgment with costs for the defendants who contended that the ship was scuttled by the captain with the privity of the plaintiffs.

GERMAN POLITICAL CRISIS.

BAVARIAN GOVERNMENT ACTION.

BERLIN, July 25.
A serious crisis is threatened by the Bavarian Government's refusal integrally to execute the Reichstag's new law for the defence of the Republic by omitting certain vital clauses in its decree in that connection. This action is regarded as a direct challenge to the Central Government. Newspapers say the Bavarian Government is entering on a very dangerous path, possibly leading to civil war.

TRAIN AMBUSHED.

ANOTHER IRISH INCIDENT.

LONDON, July 25.
A train conveying sixty prisoners from Wexford to Dublin was ambushed at Kilmurin by irregulars. The passengers became panic stricken. Lying on the floors the escort repulsed the assailants after three-quarters of an hour of fighting. Two of the escort were killed and seven wounded.

COUNTY CRICKET.

LONDON, July 25.
Kent beat Surrey by ten wickets.
Yorkshire beat Nottingham by five wickets, the losers only making 74 in their second innings when Robinson took 5 for 20 and Roy Kilpin 5 for 14.
Somerset won by three wickets from Sussex and Leicestershire won by two wickets from Gloucestershire.

BLOW FOR PUSSEYFOOTERS.

VODKA AGAIN IN RUSSIA.

MOSCOW, July 26.
A decree authorizing the sale of vodka which was prohibited on the outbreak of war is to be issued on August 1. It is anticipated that there will be some mingling as to whether the manufacture and sale will be a State monopoly.

DUTCH CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES.

THE HAGUE, July 25.
At the opening of the States General Queen Wilhelmina said that measures to meet the dissolved chamber's demand for important changes in the constitution would be introduced without delay.

FREE STATE MINISTER RESIGNS.

LONDON, July 25.
Gavan Duffy, the Free State Foreign Minister, has resigned on account of opposition to the Government's policy as "grave and urgent reasons," although he agrees with the Government's military policy.

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ALLEGED INSURANCE CONSPIRACY.

FRESH CHARGE AGAINST W. G. WALLACE: POLICE INDICATION OF LINE OF EVIDENCE.

Reference to the alleged insurance swindle of which mention has already been made in other courts, was heard at the Shanghai Mixed Court on July 18 when W. G. Wallace appeared before Mr. Loh, Magistrate, and Mr. Jacobs. The original case against accused was of obtaining goods to the value of \$588 by false pretences at Tientsin, while a further charge was laid of being concerned with two British subjects, Arthur M. Spence and George Y. Chalmers, and others, in a conspiracy to defraud the public by inducing people to part with their money to a bogus insurance company. Accused was defended by Dr. O. Fischer.

Joseph Leibovich, the complaining witness in the first case, said defendant bought fur from him at Tientsin and represented himself to be the manager of the shipping department of the North China Trading Co. Witness had been unable to get the money, so he went to the U. S. Consulate at Tientsin. The Consul said Wallace was not an American citizen. Later, when Wallace came to Shanghai the American authorities there refused to recognize him. The Chinese police had arrested Mrs. Wallace in Tientsin on witness's information. They told him that to apprehend Wallace he (witness) should apply to the British police in Shanghai. Before leaving Tientsin Wallace's mother and sister told witness that he should not have proceeded against Mrs. Wallace.

Continuing witness said he had seen Wallace in his office in Shanghai. Every time he called for the amount owing to him the defendant put him off. Eventually Mrs. Wallace's brother brought witness \$100. The boy said the rest of the amount would be forthcoming in three days.

The U. S. Consul General had told witness that the American authorities knew all about Wallace's affairs. He was not, however, an American, and it had been decided to send all documents relative to his business to the Mixed Court.

Answering the Assessor, Mr. Leibovich said that when he went to the Chinese Court in Tientsin he discovered that other people had laid charges against the defendant.

AN UNPAID SETTLEMENT.

In cross-examination, witness admitted that he had reached an amicable settlement with the defendant by accepting a receipt for \$500

CHILD'S SHORN HAIR.

WIFE'S SEPARATION SUIT COMPLAINT.

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Dr. Fischer—He is not wanted by the Tientsin authorities on this first charge.

The Assessor—Nevertheless there is sufficient evidence to send him back to Tientsin.

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HOLMES.—On July 17, at Shanghai to Mr. and Mrs. H. Holmes, a son.

MARRIAGE.

FREDERIKSEN—STORR.—On July 20, 1922 at the Danish Consulate General, Shanghai, Svend Oles Frederiksen to Carla Stor, both of Copenhagen, Denmark.

DEATHS.

SHEARER.—Died, at 3 Midtown Street, Springburn, Glasgow, George Shearer, aged 76, late chief engineer Orient S. N. Line, also Canadian-Pacific Line, Hongkong and Vancouver.

The China Mail.

TRADE, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JULY 26, 1922

IS LABOUR A COMMODITY?

With very little trouble and investigation, and in any part of our business centre, you will be able to find a man who believes, who really and honestly believes, two mutually exclusive things, two irreconcilable statements. You may find a man, many men, in fact, who simultaneously believe, (a) that labour is a commodity, and (b) that labour is not a commodity. This must sound absurd as stated—too absurd to believe. Let us consider a few particulars.

In the world of business, it is held that the possessor of a commodity may lawfully and properly do several things in order to get the best price for it. He may arrange with competitors to refrain from glutting the market. He may withhold the commodity until the demand for it, and consequently its market value, is enhanced. He may impose special terms upon the purchaser. In Hongkong, from this point of view, it is a common and firm belief that labour is not a commodity, that the possessor of it

(the labourer) has no right to do these things. This, we suppose, will not be challenged. Popular ideas of strikes and strikers are too fresh in memory. It will be conceded that labour is not a commodity, and not properly subject to the ordinary business customs of handling commodities.

Very well. Then who believes at the same time that it is a commodity, and how do we detect the belief? There is an equally common custom which demonstrates it. It began innocently enough. Probably the language difficulty would account mainly for its origination. Its convenience and ease would confirm its continuation. We allude to the common custom of contracting with go-betweens for labour in batches. There are no personal relations between employer and employed. The employer pays the contractor a fixed sum for the services of so many labourers. The contractor makes what he can out of it. That undoubtedly is to treat labour as a commodity, that can be bought and sold in bulk. A very similar system arose in America, in connection with Italian labour, and was called the "padrone system." It was bad for both sides, because the padrone while squeezing the workers made them discontented and less valuable to the employer. The human degradation involved was also recognized, and when a labour leader called Dominio d'Allesandro succeeded in breaking up and abolishing the custom, the King of Italy knighted him, made him a Chevalier. The local custom may not amount to peonage, although it would be no less if the men had not their guilds; but it certainly does set up labour as a commodity.

Ought we to go on trying to have it both ways? There is no harm in employing a man, as agent or interpreter, to find and collect a bunch of labourers. Indeed, as things are it is unavoidable. But his powers should end there. He should not be permitted to deliver labour as a commodity, profiteering in it, and augmenting the menace of labour troubles.

SPECIAL CABLE.

SINGAPORE TENNIS.

JAPANESE PLAYER WINS.

[China Mail Special.]

SINGAPORE, July 26. Honda, the Japanese, has won in the Singapore tennis contests beating Dean 6-2, 6-3.

UNLAWFUL EXPORTATION.

RICE DEALERS FINED.

The exportation to Canton recently of 21,340 bags of rice and paddy by the Wo Fat Sing firm, led to a summons being taken out by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports charging the firm with having failed to submit to the Import and Export office for endorsement, a declaration of the goods exported by them.

The case came up before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Magistrate's court this morning.

Mr. N. L. Smith, who appeared to prosecute, told the Magistrate that he did not consider the case to be of great importance, but he would like it to be made known that it was an offence to fail to declare the nature of the goods to be exported. He pointed out that this was a long standing regulation, and the firm must have known that it could not export anything without a permit. This regulation was in force in every part of the world, and Hongkong was no exception. In this case, information was received by his department of the exportation of the rice and paddy after the goods had actually left the Colony. They had received a manifest from the defendant firm, but no declaration form was attached to it.

A representative of the firm pleaded ignorance, although he admitted having been in business here for many years. He said that he thought that an exception to the regulation existed with regard to exportations to Canton.

Magistrate: What nonsense! If you were here from the country for only two days, you might say that; but you are a business man and should have known. You are fined \$50.

HONGKONG HEIGHTS.

For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is published:—

ISLAND	FEET
Signal Station	1774
Mount Parker	1733
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Eyrie	1725
Peak Hotel	1305
Peak Road	877
Bowen Rd. (filterbeds)	393
MAINLAND.	
Taimoshan	3124
Lion Rock	1645
Devil's Peak	724

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Yesterday the Medical Officer of Health received reports of five fatal cases of plague and a fatal case of cerebro-spinal fever.

Office and shop accommodation is now available at the old Astor House Hotel which has been renamed "Connaught House."

Found in Connaught Road Central yesterday afternoon, with 400 forged Government opium labels, a Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell and fined \$4,000 or 12 months.

A Chinese was yesterday afternoon admitted to the hospital suffering from injuries to his head and legs received through being knocked down in Praya East by motor cycle No. 239, driven by Sub-Inspector Purden. The man's condition is not serious.

LET THE HEART

LEAD YOU DOWN

MAIN STREET AS

FAR AS SPRUCE

STREET TO SEE THE

"SUNBEAM OF THE

SCREEN"

CANTON ITEMS.

NAVY WANTS SUN TO GO.

The Commanders of the neutral ships of the Northern Navy Squadron are reported to have sent a joint petition to Dr. Sun Yat-sen to leave Canton and go up North. No reply had been received.

PROTECTING SILK TRANSPORT.

The American Consul at Canton, in compliance with the request of American merchants at Shuntak, has sent a gunboat up the river to protect the transportation of silk to Canton for exportation to the United States.

FIGHTING AT SUKWAN.

Following the fall of the 20th and 21st inst., heavy fighting has again broken out at Suikwan and, after a long and strenuous engagement, the centre and the right wing of the Northern Expeditionary Force were completely defeated with great loss of men. Yesterday the invaders were reported to be concentrating on the left wing with the intention of pushing through to Tengtak via Yeungyin. Fierce fighting is going on in the vicinity of Yeungyin.

AEROPLANE BOMBS CITY.

On the morning of the 24th on the arrival of the first train at Canton from Suikwan it was reported that an aeroplane flew over the city at 7.30 in the morning and dropped several bombs. The passengers could not say whether any damage was done. The 1st Division of the Kwangtung Army has severed its relations with the Northern Expeditionary Force and has returned to Canton where it joined forces with Chuan Kwing Ming. The Division has been sent north under the leadership of General Yung Hung-kai to attack General Hei Shung-chi's forces from the rear at Ling Ting. Lai-lao Chuen, the premier General of Sun Yat-sen, is reported to have suffered heavy defeat at Kiangsi at the hands of General Chai Sang-shun, divisional commander in charge of Kwangsi. Some of the defeated troops fled to Anfei and the Governor of that city has sent out a strong force to disarm them. General Wu Pei-fu is reported to be coming down from Hankow to take charge of the reinforcement which are being taken up to Kwangsi against Sun and will personally direct the fighting there.

CALIFORNIA GLEE CLUB

A HEARTY FAREWELL.

Hongkong gave a hearty send-off at the Theatre Royal last night to the members of the California Glee Club at their special farewell performance. A vaudeville programme had been promised but the entertainment very largely followed along the lines of the two previous ones. There were many new items, however, and some that already have come to be regarded as old favourites. There has been a packed house at each of the Glee Club's three performances and that alone, in Hongkong and in summer is a very eloquent tribute to the merit of the entertainment staged.

Further evidence of Hongkong's appreciation of this little oasis in our show-less desert was furnished by the extraordinary degree of enthusiasm with which the efforts of this talented combination were applauded.

WATER SUPPLY.

A CHINESE PETITION.

Twenty-one delegates of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce representing various districts held a meeting yesterday to discuss the advisability of sending a petition to the Government requesting that the water supply of the Colony be returned to normal or that the hours be lengthened and more mains in the streets opened to avoid the numerous troubles that now exist. Four of the delegates were eventually appointed by the Committee to draft the petition which when ready will be submitted to the Government.

PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

The China Mail learns that the philatelic business in Hongkong is quite brisk among members of the local society which caters for stamp collectors here. Just recently, some fine and rare specimens have been circulating among members and the latest lot received from the Straits is valued at somewhere around \$3,000. The Society holds its annual meeting to-morrow. It has a membership of 24, one under the limit.

FATAL KOWLOON COLLISION.

CORONIAL INQUIRY HELD.

A fatal motor accident near Yau-mati on July 2, had its sequel at the Magistrate's court yesterday afternoon when Mr. R. E. Lindell and a Jury composed of Messrs. T. P. M. Bryan, (foreman) J. G. Martin and M. A. Van held an inquiry into the circumstances attending the death of a Chinese named Leung Kam Wa aged 37, who was knocked down by a motor car driven by Sub-Inspector P. Grant, of the Water Police, at the junction of Jordan and Canton Roads.

The Coroner explained to the Jury that no medical evidence was forthcoming owing to the fact that Dr. Smalley, Government Medical Officer, had met with a slight accident. If, however, the Jury desired after hearing evidence, to have the doctor called, it could be arranged later. Mr. Lindell then read Dr. Smalley's medical certificate which stated that the deceased was admitted to the Kwong Wah Hospital on the morning of July 2 suffering from a fracture at the base of the skull. He died shortly after admission. A post-mortem examination revealed that the fracture was an extensive one caused by the deceased's head striking the ground. In the region of the left eye there was extensive bruising and a deep cut.

Sub-Inspector Grant then went into the witness box and stated that at 9.50 a.m., on the 2nd instant he was driving private motor car No. 356 along Jordan Road from east to west, at a speed of about 10 miles per hour on the left side of the road. He intended to turn into Canton Road towards Yau-mati. When he was about 50 yards from the corner of Canton Road he saw the deceased coming out towards him on a cycle from the witness's left hand corner of Canton Road. The deceased was on the wrong side of the road. Witness sounded his horn and eased off towards the centre of the road. At the same time the deceased changed his course and instead of passing the witness on the wrong side crossed in front of the car and got clear by several yards. The witness proceeded on his journey and never gave the deceased another thought until he was almost at the corner, when he suddenly saw the deceased re-appear on the right of his car practically in front. The car struck the cycle. Witness pulled up in about a car's length. The car ran over the cycle and over part of the deceased. When he got out of the car he found the deceased unconscious. Witness telephoned for a doctor and an ambulance and the deceased was removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital. The witness added in reply to the Coroner that it was apparent that the deceased had completed nearly three-quarters of a circle when the accident occurred. There was no other wheeled traffic on the road at the time.

Replying to Mr. M. K. Lo, who appeared for the relatives of the deceased, the Inspector said it was not a fact that deceased came down Canton Road and was cutting straight across Jordan Road.

Mr. Lo: I put it to you that you came down along Jordan Road into Canton Road near the centre and that you were on your wrong side of the road?—That is not so.

Did I understand you to say that you were by yourself in the car?—Yes, I was alone.

Wasn't there another passenger?—You are quite sure?—There was not.

Was it a new car?—No.

Were you trying to adjust it in any way?—No, I was going to the motor bus Company to fill up with petrol.

Assuming for the sake of argument that you were not quite in the centre of the road and assuming that the cyclist was on his left, would you agree that an accident would have been inevitable?—Yes, it would.

A coolie woman who said she was an eyewitness of the accident tried to explain to the Court what she saw, but as she did not know the name of the road and could not explain the exact spot, the inquiry was adjourned until Monday afternoon next, pending a visit of the Jury to the spot where the Coroner thought the woman would be better able to explain what she saw.

KOWLOON SPORT CLUBS.

THE MOVE TO KING'S PARK.

No final settlement has yet been arrived at regarding the scheme for the removal of the Kowloon sporting clubs to King's Park. The former meeting of clubs at which it was intended an arrangement should be come to regarding sites and other details, was, owing to a misunderstanding not attended by the United Services Recreation Club. Another meeting is to be held shortly, when it is anticipated that the matter will be cleared up. It is possible that the Bowling Green Club will retain its present situation.

CORRESPONDENCE.

FREE TEA.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir,—In passing along Caine Road this morning, I was delighted to see a treat provided to the long queue of water carriers in the form of a large, well-filled tea long with two Chinese characters which read "An invitation to drink". And we all know, the Chinese have an ingrained disinclination to drink unboiled water; consequently, many prefer to bear thirst rather than relieve it by quaffing off the tap. In Shanghai, during the days of summer, it is the practice of philanthropic Chinese to provide similar facilities, from which the rickshaw men, in particular, derive not a little benefit. Since there must be as many queues as there are public taps in the Colony during these days of water restriction, it is the hope of your correspondent that his few lines will gain the notice of the kind-hearted, so that this laudable service to the "hewers of wood and drawers of water" may be extended.

Yours, etc.

COLLEGIAN.

Hongkong, July 25, 1922.

CHINA COAST.

LATEST SHIPPING CHANGES.

Mr. A. T. Summerfield, chief officer, "Sunning," is on reserve.
Mr. H. Gifford, chief officer, "Hangchow," has gone chief officer, "Sunning."

Mr. W. Noon, chief officer, "Chekiang," has gone chief officer, "Tangchow."

Mr. T. L. Rasmussen, chief officer, "Tungchow," is on reserve.
Mr. J. Robinson, second officer, "Tungchow," is on reserve.

Mr. J. W. Jenkins, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Kinkiang."

Mr. P. E. Cheetham, second officer, "Kaifong," is on reserve.

Mr. H. H. Bolderson, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Kaifong."

Mr. W. J. Chipper, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Fatehan."

Mr. J. Dowler, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Chenan."

Mr. R. K. Burns, chief engineer, "Shantien," has gone chief engineer, "Hsin Peking."

Mr. J. Anderson, chief engineer, "Hsin Peking," is on reserve.

Mr. J. B. Barclay, from leave, has gone chief engineer, "Shantien."

Mr. F. McIntyre, chief engineer, "Hangchow," is on leave.

Mr. A. Macfarlane, from leave, has gone chief engineer, "Luchow."

Mr. R. Bain, second engineer, "Poyang," has gone second engineer, "Hanyang."

Mr. J. Grant, from leave, has gone third engineer, "Tientsin."

Mr. J. V. King, third engineer, "Suiyang," has gone third engineer, "Niogpo."

Mr. F. N. Hopkins, from reserve, has gone third officer, "Manang."

Mr. A. Sinclair, chief officer, "Ming-sang," has gone chief officer, "Lok-sang."

Mr. H. S. Hurley, chief officer, "Lok-sang," has gone chief officer, "Ming-sang."

Mr. W. W. Hipkin, sup'y chief officer, "Lok-sang," has gone sup'y chief officer, "Ming-sang."

Mr. C. F. Revett, sup'y second officer, "Ming-sang," is on reserve.

Mr. C. M. Boas, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Lok-sang."

Mr. A. F. Johnson, second officer, "Lok-sang," has resigned.

Mr. J. B. Nicoll, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Yehating."

Mr. G. K. Hudson, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Chunsang."

Mr. J. E. Doughty, from leave, has gone chief officer, "Kumsang."

Mr. W. S. Gee, from leave, has gone second officer, "Lecsang."

Mr. A. M. Henderson, second officer, "Lecsang," has gone second officer, "Loongsang."

Mr. N. H. Bennett, second officer, "Loongsang," is on leave.

Mr. J. T. C. Crawley has been appointed sup'y second officer, "Lok-sang."

Mr. D. O. Lewis has been appointed second officer, "Taksang."

Mr. M. Turner, from reserve, has gone acting chief engineer, "Lok-sang."

Mr. J. Fry, third engineer, "Tung-shing," has gone third engineer, "Kutwo."

common when travelling, keep the liver active, and prevent the ill-effects of strange or badly cooked foods. Get a bottle of Pinkettes, or post 100, 60 cents the vial, from Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 60 Southmen Road, Shanghai.

CHINA AND FOREIGN TRADE.

SOME PEKING MESSAGES.

SHANGHAI, July 26.

Peking reports that the Ministry of Commerce has established a special department for registration of trade marks under the control of Li Cheng, C. H. Huston, the United States assistant secretary for commerce, will shortly lead an expedition to the American, Russian, and Japanese for seal islands with a party of scientists aboard the coastguard cutter *Majore*. Huston, accompanied by several members of the party, will subsequently visit Europe in the interests of trade promotion. The party will be in China from August 22, and reach Manila about September 10, visiting Tientsin, Cheloo, Shanghai, and Canton.—*Reuter*.

MR. DENBY SAILS FOR MANILA.

SHANGHAI, July 26.

Mr. Denby and party sail to Manila to-day. The transport "Henderson" has been overhauled as it is anticipated that she may encounter a typhoon. The "Henderson" will be escorted by the U.S.S. "Huron" with Admiral Strauss aboard.

Mr. Denby will inspect the fortifications and naval establishments at Manila and Olongapo probably determining on the drastic reductions in the naval establishment of the Philippines which are contemplated as a result of the Washington treaty.—*Reuter*.

CHOLERA AT TIENTSIN.

TIENTSIN, July 26.

Several cases of cholera occurred at Tientsin. There have been some deaths including the houseboy of a foreign family in the French concession. So far there have been no cases amongst foreigners. Heavy rains during the past few days are likely to improve the health conditions as well as saving the surrounding crops.—*Reuter*.

CHINESE SOLDIERS LOOT AT TIENTSIN.

TIENTSIN, July 26.

Five Mukden soldiers yesterday evening raided a shop in the Japanese concession after which there was an exciting chase. The French police finally wounded and captured a ringleader who had fired several shots on his pursuers, wounding one civilian.—*Reuter*.

U.S. NAVY IN CHINA.

THE YANGTZE PATROL.

SHANGHAI, July 26.

Rear-admiral Phelps of the U. S. Navy arrived at Shanghai yesterday. He is succeeding Admiral Bullard in command of the Yangtze patrol.—*Reuter*.

ALLEGED ARMED ROBBERIES.

MAGISTRATE REFUSES BAIL.

Two Chinese arrested in connection with the armed robbery committed at the Wing Lee Yuen firm, No. 17, Des Vaux Road West, on the morning of the 21st inst., were produced before Mr. E. W. Hamilton this morning.

Mr. E. A. Webster appeared for one of the accused and asked for a remand. Detective Inspector Grant said that he had no objection to a remand, but he would like the case to be taken in time for the next session. There were ten witnesses for the prosecution, so the case would take some time. The case was clear against Mr. Webster's client, the Inspector added.

The Magistrate said he could not take the case until August 1. Mr. Webster: Will your Worship grant bail in the meantime? Magistrate: Bail in an armed robbery, Mr. Webster? I certainly not.

THE STRIKE.

Negotiations for the settlement of the cargo-men's dispute proceeded throughout this morning at the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs. It is hoped a settlement will be reached by this evening.

CRAMP COLIC.

No need of suffering from cramps in the stomach or intestinal pains. Get a bottle of Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy. It will relieve the most severe cases. Get it today, there will be no time to regret it after the attack comes on. For sale by all Chemists and Dispensaries.

BUSINESS CO-OPERATION.

LOCAL FIRMS REACH UNDERSTANDING.

Three of Hongkong's biggest business concerns, the Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd., the Dairy Farm Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd., and Messrs. Lane Crawford Ltd. have reached agreement on a policy of mutual co-operation and support.

This arrangement follows the series of interesting mergers which have already been recorded in the *China Mail*.

As is well known the Dairy Farm and Messrs. Lane Crawford merged some little time ago and now the Hongkong Hotel Co. has arranged to acquire from these firms the whole of its cold storage supplies and provisions. The arrangement is expected to result in the centralization of cold storage plants here, thus ensuring a better and more expeditious service. The Dairy Farm will have a store, with cold storage accommodation, in the new Lane Crawford building, while combined the two firms will conduct stores at the Peak Hotel, Repulse Bay Hotel and, when completed, the Peninsula Hotel in Kowloon.

Another result of this working arrangement will be that the ice and cold storage department of the Dairy Farm will be considerably enlarged. The premises at East Point are to be replaced by a new building equipped with modern machinery. It is intended to have this plant working before next summer, by which time an ice cream department worked on a large scale should be in operation.

A WILD NIGHT IN THE WEST.

STORY OF EXCITING HAPPENINGS AT A SHANGHAI PLEASURE RESORT.

A VERY MIXED GRILL.

Details were in circulation throughout Shanghai on July 17 of something approaching a Donnybrook in an establishment in the western district well-known as a popular after-dinner resort. The time of the occurrence was either late on Saturday night or early on Sunday morning, and the dramatic personae are given as follows:

One individual wishing to start something.
One proprietor.
One professional bouncer.
One entertainer.
Guests.
Would-be Guests.
It had obviously been a large, large evening chortles the *N. C. Daily News*. It was too hot to sleep and nobody wanted to go home to try it anyway. Hence every table in the resort was taken.

When this disappointing news was broken by the proprietor to some late arrivals one of them, obviously annoyed, declined to accept it as sufficient reason for going home and endeavoured to force his way in. One little gesture to the expert bouncer and the intruder found himself surveying the summer stars from a recumbent position on the gravel driveway. When he got his bearings he seems to have felt that having started something he ought to finish it. Wherefore he came back for revenge and the first man he saw being one of the dancers, fanning himself on the porch, he proceeded to hand him one. The little dancer gave over the idea of cooling off and promptly knocked the aggressive individual down, and again, and again until the friends of the gentleman who had started the row came to his assistance.

Then things began to get really social. The plucky little dancer had his adherents too and they rushed to his assistance. In the meantime more belated guests were arriving, anxious to get in. Earlier comers were anxious to get out and see what it was all about. The doors finally had to be locked but there were plenty of people outside to make the matter interesting. One merry party arrived just at this juncture and waded into the fray joyfully.

By this time no one knew who had started this feature of the evening's entertainment, and no one cared. It was like the good old game of "Pass It On." Somebody hit somebody else. One man is said to have been a perfect glutton for punishment and was thrown down the stairs more times than any of the participants could count, until he was finally hauled into a motor and taken to a hospital.

Such was the end of a perfect day. With Sunday's wakening many gentlemen were surprised to find themselves possessed of an elaborate assortment of bruises and black-and-blues acquired quite without their knowledge or consent.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

Chambord, (M.M. Cie) from Yokohama, Shanghai.—A1.
Tamba Maru, (N.Y.K.) from Yokohama, Moji.—Kowloon Wharf.
Alipore, (P. & O. S. N.) from Bombay, Singapore.—Kowloon Wharf.
Chung Hing, (Heung On) from Kwong Chow wan.—Co's Wharf.
Kwai Wah, (Wai Hing) from Tourane.—C19.
Jade, (Kai Yu) from Haiphong Pakhoi.—C86.
Bengloe, (Gibb Liv) from London, Singapore.—Off Stonecutters.
Hai Ching, (Douglas) from Foochow, Swatow.—Co's Wharf.
Hydrangea, (Chin On) from Swatow.—Co's Wharf.
Arlika, (Man. & B'house) from Copenhagen, Singa.—Kowloon Wharf.
Linan, (B. & S.) from Bangkok.—C20.
Seang Bee, (Tuan Kee) from Rangoon, Singapore.—A10.
Kweiyang, (B. & S.) from Singapore.—B11.
Soshu Maru, (O.S.K.) from Canton.—Co's Wharf.

DEPARTURES.

Chambord, (M. M. Cie) for Marseilles, Haiphong.—July 26.
Asahi Maru, (Kumura) for Canton.—July 26.
Cheongching, (J. M. & Co.) for Tientsin.—July 26.
Tamba Maru, (N.Y.K.) for Bombay, Singapore.—July 26.
Sungshan Maru, (N.Y.K.) for Canton.—July 26.
Huichow, (B. & S.) for Canton.—July 26.
Yokohama Maru, (N.Y.K.) for Seattle, Shanghai.—July 26.
Machao, (B. & S.) for Yokohama, Shanghai.—July 26.
President Wilson, (Pacific Mail) for San Francisco.—July 26.
Sanka Maru, (M.B.K.) for Hongay.—July 26.
Helios, (Kung Chung) for Saigon.—July 26.
Kweiyang, (B. & S.) for Amoy, Swatow.—July 26.
Empress of Canada, (O.P.S. Ltd.) for Vancouver, Shanghai.—July 27.
President Jackson, (Ad. Line) for Seattle, Shanghai.—July 27.
Hydrangea, (Chin On) Swatow.—July 27.
Leo Sang, (J.M. & Co.) for Haiphong, Hoihow.—July 27.

RETURN OF THE GERMANS.

With the expiration next month of the Ordinance forbidding the presence here of ex-enemy aliens except under special permission, there will be nothing to stop the Germans coming here in any numbers. They will only be subject to the registration ordinance with which all foreign residents here have to comply.

TO-DAY'S NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

MR. G. W. ANDERSON having resigned his position in our Office, his authority to sign contracts for the Company is now at an end.
Dated the 25th day of July, 1922.
CANADIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIPS, LIMITED.
P. A. COX,
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OFFICE ACCOMMODATION AVAILABLE at CONNAUGHT HOUSE, (LATE THE ASTOR HOUSE HOTEL).
Over 50 large rooms to be let for use as offices, chambers, shops, etc. immediately at moderate rents.
Apply for full particulars, rentals, terms, &c. to MESSRS. HASTINGS & HASTINGS Solicitors, etc.
Des Voeux Road Central.
Hongkong, July 26, 1922.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
AMERICAN & ORIENTAL LINE.
From NEW YORK.

THE Steamship "HALERIC" having arrived, from the above Port, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained. (Goods not cleared by the 1st August will be subject to rent.)
All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined at 10 a.m. on the 1st August.
Claims against the steamer must be presented within ten days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by THE BANK LINE, LIMITED, General Agents.
Hongkong, July 25, 1922.

TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

ALL preliminary notices of forthcoming meetings, lectures and entertainments, sent for insertion in the news columns of the *China Mail* are charged for at the rate of \$1 each, as announced in May and June of last year) providing that they do not occupy more than four lines. If future if this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertisements columns at the prevailing rates.

WANTED.

AGENTS WANTED.—For "Colonial" series private Xmas cards, autograph cards, calendars, fancy goods, stationery, samples free, large commission; Lomax, 1, Lime Avenue, Darwen, Lancashire.

THE EAST ASIATIC CO. LTD. COPENHAGEN.

The Motorship "AFRIKA," having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all goods are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 1st August, 1922, will be subject to rent.
All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 1st August, 1922, at 10 a.m. All claims must reach us before the 5th of August, or they will not be recognized.
No fire insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by MANNERS & BACKHOUSE, LTD., Agents.
Hongkong, July 26, 1922.

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From ANTWERP, MIDDLESBRO', LONDON & STRAITS.

THE Steamship "BENGLOE," Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.
No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st August will be subject to rent.
All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under signed on or before the 15th August, or they will not be recognized.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 1st August at 10 a.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD., Agents.
Hongkong, July 25, 1922.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 31st day of July, 1922, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Lugard Road in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.	
No. of Lots.	Boundary Measurements.
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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.									
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"The Pacific smiled—it may be in disdain at the smallness of our craft—for our 150 miles run from New Guinea to the Trobriand Islands. His Majesty's survey ships do not trouble these waters; and the latest charts were made in the '90's. This gave us nice scope for the discovery of new reefs, and Louis, our tanned French sailor, from his perch on the masthead, kept his eyes busy, fishing shallows from the depths as some men catch trout.

The islands floated like a school of whales in the sunset glow when we made the anchorage—five miles out from the shore on account of the coral reefs. The Trobriands are a great peering centre, and no sea could be a more fitting home for the gems than these.

By night the sea lives. Travel across it as we did in a big native canoe and the water pulses with light. Each breaking wave gleams white as quartz, shoals of fish dart everywhere, scattering from the splashing paddles so that you can think only of a rocket bursting at a fireworks display. You feel an impulse to say, 'O-o-o-h!' Sharks pass like Zepelins seen in the accusing finger of a search-light, vague masses of light drift in the lower depths, and sea snakes, writhes everywhere. The ocean seems to breathe beneath the globe of the stars.

Forty thousand coco-nuts planted on the island have transformed it into a garden, bisected by neat paths lined with the thousand hues of the croton bushes. The natives are noted for two qualities: their skill as carvers and their immorality. Most of the worthy citizens would trade you a wife for a stick of trade tobacco—and from the point of view of beauty they would be getting the best of the bargain.

WORLD FORGOTTEN.

These islands, where launches come once in three months and steamers never, are the Pacific of the romances. Here are men who prefer that the past should remain buried. Here are men who have gone native and forgotten the world outside. And here we found a resident magistrate without a medical degree who performed three major surgical operations before breakfast with only the aid of a native constable.

There is charm and beauty about this out-of-the-way corner. We found Mr. Ellis Silas, an English artist, who wrote and illustrated "Crusading at Anzao," striving to catch the glamour of the place on canvas. It may be six months before his task is finished.

With our captain—the only navigator aboard—laid up with malaria—his temperature was 103—we sailed for the Solomon Islands in dirty weather. The charts were rather more vague than usual, and our seamanship was quaint, but dawn of the second day gave us Treasury Island, for which we had been aiming. It was a pleasant surprise to find it on our port bow. The ocean is a big place to wander about in, and stocks of water and gasoline were at the lowest ebb.

We made Faisi, in the Solomons, with empty tanks. The tiny settlement of half a dozen whites bowered in palms beyond counting did not seem at all surprised at our coming. Nobody is surprised at anything in these parts. We anchor for the night in a place where there is one white man who does not see his fellows once in six months, and he does not trouble to come out to us until the morning. People at the large ports are far more curious, but it may be that a curious disposition would be a luxury in these dreary seas.

At Faisi 350 cases of gasoline should have been awaiting us. It was not. Instead came the district officer with a request to use our wireless plant to report the vessel carrying it as missing. The operator was actually tuning up when a black bowsprit thrust round a corner of the island and incoherently the schooner "William H. Smith," a month overdue on what should have been a month's run from Sydney, Australia. She reached port within an hour of us.

The schooner had been becalmed for the greater part of the voyage. For 26 days she had been in sight of the lower islands in the group, but had been unable to make them. During that period she advanced just 20 miles, and sails were lowered and hoisted 49 times by the round Yankee skipper, his two mates, and three raw boys who made up the crew. The skipper sailed from Sydney with his

wife and three children aboard; he arrived at Faisi the father of four. The newcomers—a boy who would have delighted the heart of the manufacturers of baby food—arrived ten days out, and his sturdy mother looked none the worse for her experience. From Faisi they were to land copra for San Francisco. When they will complete that run I know not.

EX-SERVICE MEN.

All through the Pacific to-day are men whose spirits were turned to the life adventurous by the war. Ex-service men are everywhere. At Faisi the King's representative is Captain Middleton, formerly of the 29th Division. His station is a broad-verandahed house looking out across a wonderful garden stocked with the lavish hand of the Tropics, to the aching blue of the Pacific, striped here and there with foam-crowned reefs. And all about on every hill the battalions of palms sway.

Upon the height is set a flagpole on which the Union Jack flutters to the trade winds. At sunset hour came the crunch of bare feet on the coral path, and a squad of six native police in charge of a corporal swung up. They wore a small kilt of khaki cloth and a military belt, and they carried rifles with fixed bayonets. Their coal-black bodies glistened, and they were in deadly earnest.

The corporal took his stand at the pole and shouted his orders in pidgin English, but the precision with which his men saluted the flag as it fluttered down could not have been improved upon by a crack white regiment.

It was a significant, impressive little ceremony on that tropic height with the sky all aflame. The squad saluted with their rifles, turned on their heels, and marched away very erectly.

UNTAMED ISLANDS.

The Solomons remain untamed. At Choiseul and Malaita Islands the head tax cannot be imposed because it would never be collected. We were denied permission to land on Choiseul, because even the district officer dare not go ashore there without three forces of armed men. Quite a number of murderers are waiting attention on Choiseul, and presently the law will go in quest of them, backed up with the might of rifles.

One of the gentlemen sought killed a man because he prayed for rain. The prayer was granted; but as a result the palms were made slippery and a perfectly useful wife, climbing a tree, slipped and was killed. Naturally the husband was aggrieved and claimed a life for a life.

Other murders again were purely of a social nature, an obligation. The village was proud of its collection of

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NIGHT AQUATIC FETE.

The Victoria Recreation Club successfully held its second night swimming fete of the season yesterday evening. Despite the counter attraction offered by the University of California Glee Club, there was a good attendance of spectators and competitors. Keen appreciation was shown by the spectators of all the events on the programme, which were very closely contested and provided excellent and exciting sport. The high diving competition was perhaps the most interesting item on the programme, and the gathering was treated to some excellent exhibitions. The events for ladies and girls also attracted many entries and some good races were witnessed. The Blue Jazz Band, under the capable direction of Mr. Tedo Miles provided excellent music.

RESULTS.

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The programme concluded with an interesting water polo match.

skulls; for the good of the community more were required. 'Volla! As I write the "Speejaaks" is at anchor in a quiet cove on the coast of Bougainville. Fish splash in the quiet waters and the flying foxes pass clumsily across the stars. Alongside is an outrigger canoe, and one of its occupants is plastered with white clay. "His brother was killed three days ago in a brush with the police—he mourns!" explains the Chinese trader. The gramophone plays jazz music and the wireless plant is flinging its spark to far-off Australia.

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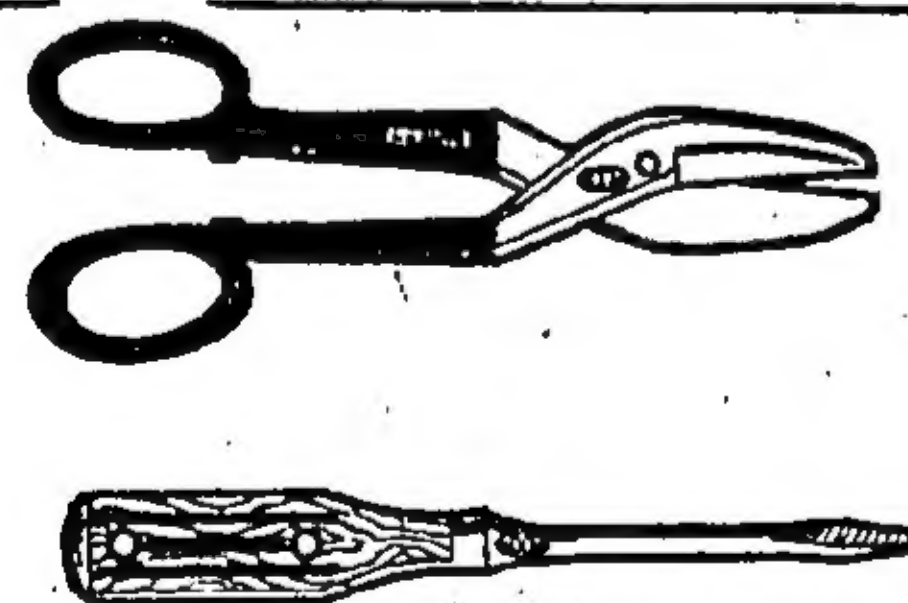
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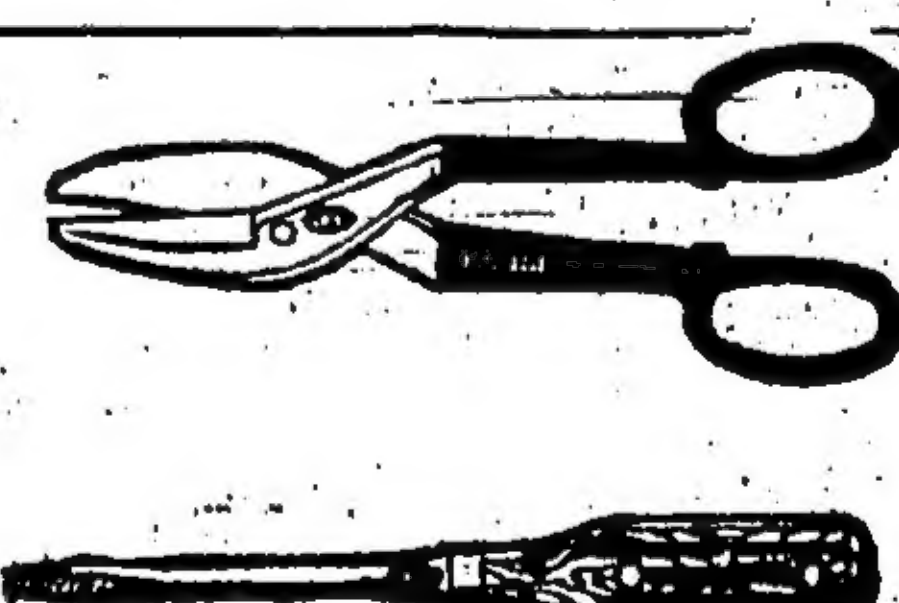
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